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**NEWS RELEASE SUMMARY - October 13, 2006**

United States Attorney Carol C. Lam announced the unsealing today of a criminal complaint charging SCOTT ANDREW ADAMS with possession of child pornography.

According to the complaint, on or about August 11, 2006, SCOTT ANDREW ADAMS possessed at least one image on his computer which contained images of minors, as young as ten years old, engaging in sexually explicit conduct with adults.

According to Assistant U.S. Attorney Alessandra P. Serano, who is prosecuting the case, ADAMS was arraigned on the complaint earlier today before United States Magistrate Judge Leo S. Papas and is in federal custody. Adams' next appearance is scheduled for Tuesday, October 17, 2006 at 8:30 a.m., before Magistrate Judge Papas for a detention hearing.

This case is being brought as part of Project Safe Childhood. In February 2006, Attorney General Alberto R. Gonzales created Project Safe Childhood, a nationwide initiative designed to protect children from online exploitation and abuse. Led by the United States Attorneys' Offices, Project Safe Childhood marshals

federal, state and local resources to better locate, apprehend, and prosecute individuals who exploit children via the Internet, as well as identify and rescue victims. For more information about Project Safe Childhood, please visit [www.projectsafechildhood.gov](http://www.projectsafechildhood.gov).

**DEFENDANT**

SCOTT ANDREW ADAMS

**Case Number: 06MG1856**

**SUMMARY OF CHARGES**

Title 18, United States Code, Section and 2252(a)(4)(B) (Possession of Child Pornography)  
Maximum Penalty: 10 years' incarceration and \$250,000 fine.

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**A complaint is not evidence that the defendant committed the crime charged. The defendant is presumed innocent until the United States meets its burden in court of proving guilt beyond a reasonable doubt.**